

Agenda

Bar Harbor Town Council

December 2, 2008

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 P.M.**
 - A. Excused Absence(s)**
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - A. November 18, 2008**
- III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- IV. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** (Customarily presented at the second meeting each month)
- V. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** (None Scheduled)
- VI. REGULAR BUSINESS:**
 - A. Economic Development Task Force** – Application of Randy Sprague for the seat designated for a Route 102 business owner.
 - B. Charter Commission** – Applications for the three seats required to be filled by Council appointment.
 - C. Committee Consultations** – Discussion of current projects, future plans and any support needed from Town Council
 - 1. Harbor Committee**
 - 2. Marine Resources Committee**
 - D. Shellfish Closure** – Recommendation of the Marine Resources Committee that the Hadley Point Conservation Area on the east side of the point to Leland Cove be opened for harvest on April 15, 2009, with a 1 peck per day limit on harvest, regardless of whether the digger is commercial or noncommercial.
 - E. Drinking Water Disinfection Change** – Report of Public Works Director Chip Reeves on changes proposed for our water treatment system.
 - F. Cruise Ships** – Report of Cruise Ship Study Task Force Chair Paul Paradis on the recently attended Cruise Lines International Association leadership conference.
 - G. Cruise Ship Bus Passenger Drop-offs** – Recommendations of the Cruise Ship Study Task Force:
 - 1.** That Council allow a downtown passenger drop off with a flexible location to accommodate changes in traffic patterns, tour routes, and tour timing
 - 2.** To include funds for signage, equipment, and personnel to facilitate the downtown passenger drop off in the FY10 budget.

H. Downtown Shuttle Bus – Request of Oli's Trolley for dedication of parking spaces and benches to facilitate a downtown tour/shuttle.

I. Council Goals – Review of draft policy statements.

J. Priority Projects Reports – Status reports on progress made towards attainment of those of the Council's five year goals which have been designated as priorities. (*Target date is June 30, 2009, unless otherwise shown.*)

A. Taxes

1. The Town of Bar Harbor has kept property tax increases at or below the Social Security cost of living adjustment. ~ *Manager*
2. The Town Council of Bar Harbor has developed its budget each year using a zero-increase based budgeting method. ~ *Manager*

B. Planning for Our Future

1. The Town of Bar Harbor has developed a clear sense of direction for the development of Town Hill including sidewalks, sewer, economic development, etc. ~ *Planning Director*

C. Economic Development

2. The Town Council has set specific goals for the Economic Development Task Force. ~ *Council*
4. The Town Council has passed a cruise ship budget and a policy and operating document which includes, if feasible, a T105 Facility Security Plan to allow tender operations at the Town Pier. ~ *Manager*

D. Infrastructure

1. The Agamont Comfort Stations are completed. ~ *Public Works Director ~ FY10*
3. Bar Harbor has built Barker Park using a simplified plan. ~ *Public Works Director ~ FY10*
4. The Town Council has completed a strategic energy plan to reduce power consumption at Town facilities, which may or may not involve consolidation of departments and alternate/renewable energy sources. ~ *Public Works Director ~ FY10*
7. Bar Harbor has a plan for Town bridge replacement so that it is ready if grant funding becomes available. ~ *Public Works Director ~ FY10*
8. Bar Harbor has a solution for and has improved White Spruce Road leading to the transfer station. ~ *Public Works Director*
9. Bar Harbor has finished the design and started construction on Phase 1 of the Municipal Building Renovations using the bond

and, to the extent feasible, funds beyond the bond. ~ *Finance Director ~ FY10*

E. Services

3. The Town of Bar Harbor has an updated emergency operations plan. ~ *Manager*
4. The Town Council of Bar Harbor has designed and implemented a simplified Ethics Ordinance training program. ~ *Manager*

F. Governance

2. A Town Council subcommittee and designated staff have completed and distributed the Committee Handbook. ~ *Manager*

K. Health Insurance Reimbursement Plan – Request of the Manager for the annual amendment of the Personnel Rules to reflect the maximum reimbursement amount available to eligible employees who choose to opt out of the Town's health insurance coverage.

L. FY09 Budget Appropriation: MEMA Grant – Request of the Town Manager for acceptance of a \$4,700 Maine Emergency Management Agency grant for the repair of the boat launching ramp at the Town Pier, which was damaged by storms.

M. Treasurer's Warrant – Request of Treasurer to authorize paid bills.

VII. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT AGENDA

VIII. MATTERS FOR POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Hadley Point** – Consideration of the acquisition or disposal of real property or rights therein. (To be held in executive session as permitted by 1 MRSA 405.6.C, since premature disclosure of this information would prejudice the competitive or bargaining position of the Town.)
- B. Personnel Matter** – (To be held in executive session as permitted by 1 MRSA 405.6.A for discussion or consideration of a personnel matter.)
- C. Salary Plan** – (To be held in executive session as permitted by 1 MRSA 405.6.A for discussion or consideration of a personnel matter.)

IX. ADJOURNMENT

**In order to insure your complete participation in this meeting
we would appreciate your informing us of any special
requirements you might have due to a disability.
Please call 288-4098.**